BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-274-C - ORDER NO. 2002-502

JJLY 12, 2002

IN RE:	Application of E-Z Tel, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to)	ORDER AMENDING \(\int_{\alpha} \) CERTIFICATE TO
	Provide Local Exchange Services in the State of South Carolina)	PROVIDE FACILITIES- BASED SERVICES

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of E-Z Tel, Inc. (E-Z Tel or the Company) for approval of a request to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to reflect that E-Z Tel will be providing local exchange telecommunications services on both a resale and facilities-based basis. E-Z Tel was granted a Certificate to provide resold local exchange service within the State of South Carolina by Order No. 97-857 dated October 8, 1997. By letter of June 19, 2002, E-Z Tel requests that its Certificate be amended to reflect that E-Z Tel will operate as both a facilities-based and resale provider of local exchange services.

According to E-Z Tel, the Company intends to lease and/or resell unbundled network elements (UNEs) to provide its services. E-Z Tel states further that it is the Company's intention to use the telecommunications facilities, platforms, or systems of the incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) and that it does not intend to construct or install telecommunications facilities in South Carolina at this time.

After full consideration of the applicable law and the Company's explanation of its request, we find E-Z Tel's request to be in the public interest and therefore approve E-Z Tel's request to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to reflect that E-Z Tel will be providing service on both a resale and facilities-based basis.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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